

## **Nevada Department of Agriculture**

4780 E. Idaho Street, Elko, NV. 89801

As required by NRS 575.130, this form must be completed by all owners of livestock and horses, and returned to the Department of Agriculture within 30 days to avoid penalty

### **DECLARATION AND BILL OF LIVESTOCK TAX**

Dear Nevada Livestock Owner:

Nevada Revised Statute 575 provides procedures for the Department of Agriculture to collect certain special taxes on livestock. These special taxes include: 1) the Livestock Inspection Tax, which helps support brand inspection, livestock and horse theft investigations and animal health issues; 2) the Wool Growers Predatory Animal Control Tax, which helps support the predatory animal damage control program; and 3) the Sheep Inspection Tax which supports sheep disease control and other activities related to Nevada's sheep industry. **Although administered by a state agency, this program was put in place legislatively by livestock owners for the protection of their livestock and is funded by the inspection fees and assessments paid by the owners of livestock.** In order to be successful and keep the fees as low as possible, each owner must declare and pay his/her fair share.

In the past, each county has collected the taxes on livestock and forwarded them to the Department of Agriculture. Now, the Department is sending all livestock tax billings out statewide, in the spring of every year. The counties no longer are billing for livestock taxes. The Department will review submissions and may verify numbers by actual count if necessary, and may change declared numbers to reflect the actual count. The Department may establish numbers for those owners who fail to report. The law provides for an appeal if the livestock owner disagrees with the numbers or accuracy of the livestock listed on the report by the Department.

The **directions to calculate the amount of tax due** are on the reverse side of this letter. We realize that livestock numbers may fluctuate over a year's time. The numbers to be reported are to represent an average number of animals in Nevada over the past fiscal year (July 1, 2004 to June 30, 2005). If your total calculated assessment is *more* than 0, but *less* than \$5.00, NRS 571 requires you to pay a \$5.00 minimum fee. Once you have calculated your total assessment, please sign the form and return it to the address above, with your remittance made payable to the Nevada Department of Agriculture. **If you do not own any livestock**, please fill in the top portion with your name and address; check the "I DO NOT OWN ANY LIVESTOCK/HORSES" and return. Do NOT send in the \$5.00 minimum payment. This Livestock Declaration Invoice must be received by the Department within 30 days to avoid a late penalty.

If you have any questions, please call Cara Kenley at (775) 738-8076. Thank you for your cooperation in supporting our efforts to monitor and minimize the risks to the health and safety of Nevada's livestock.

NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

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NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ NAME OF RANCH: \_\_\_\_\_

MAILING ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ COUNTY: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

I DO NOT OWN ANY LIVESTOCK/HORSES \_\_\_\_\_ (If you do not own any livestock/horses, please check this and return. Do NOT send in the \$5.00 min. payment.)

STOCK CATTLE: # of Head  
Bulls (6 months or older) .....  
Cows (2 years or older) .....  
Heifers (6 months or older) .....  
Dairy and Beef Steers (6 months or older) .....  
Total ..... x 0.28 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

DAIRY CATTLE: # of Head  
Dairy Bulls (6 months or older) .....  
Dairy Cows (2 years or older) .....  
Dairy Heifers (6 months or older) .....  
Total ..... x 0.53 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
HORSES, MULES & ASSES (1 year or older) ..... x 0.75 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
HOGS & PIGS ..... x 0.07 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
GOATS ..... x 0.06 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
SHEEP & WEANED LAMBS ..... x 0.30 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

A. TOTAL UNADJUSTED AMOUNT: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
B. ESTIMATED MONTHLY RATE (LINE A DIVIDED BY 12 MONTHS): \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (for those who do NOT keep their livestock in Nevada for 12 months)  
C. NUMBER OF MONTHS SPENT IN NV. (ROUND TO CLOSEST FULL MONTH) \_\_\_\_\_  
TOTAL AMOUNT DUE (LINE B X LINE C): \$ \_\_\_\_\_

MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO THE NEVADA DEPT. OF AGRICULTURE

**If your total calculated amount is more than \$0, but less than \$5.00,**

**N. R. S. 571 requires a \$5.00 minimum payment.**

OFFICIAL DEMAND  
As required by NRS 575.130 this form must  
be completed and returned within 30 days

Name and address of others who own sheep or livestock on my premises or grazing permit:

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\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

I declare under penalties of perjury that this declaration has been examined by me and to the best of my knowledge and belief is true and correct.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_